BAR HILL NEWS

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— PARISH COUNCIL NOTICE —
WARNING TO ALL PARENTS AND TEENAGERS IN THE VILLAGE

As you will know, the site of the former skate park along Saxon Way has been closed for some time. The Council has advised people that they should not be on this site, but some continue to meet there.

The Council has continually to clear large volumes of rubbish from this site every week – at some cost to residents – including beer cans, broken glass, and shoes hung from lamp posts. The Council carries out inspections, the latest of which revealed a large quantity of synthetic drug containers. Clearly the Police have had to be informed.

FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY

Parents – the Council would advise you **not** to allow your children on this site;

Teenagers – the Council would advise you **not** to visit the site under any circumstances.

— PARISH COUNCIL NOTICE —
PUBLIC MEETING

Thursday 7th September from 7–9pm
The Octagon
Up-date and information regarding disposal of Saxon Way Land.

— PARISH COUNCIL —
POLITE NOTICE

The Council recognises that in many parts of the village parking is a problem for residents and visitors. You are asked to use your own garages/drives/forecourts whenever possible to help alleviate these problems.

Under no circumstances may vehicles be parked on any of the Council's lands *(without express consent from the Council, e.g. a temporary arrangement)*, nor any of the grass verges.

enter OVER DAY CENTRE PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

Selected winning entries will be printed in the 2018 Over Day Centre Calendar

Short-listed entries to be exhibited at Over Community Centre in September.

Categories: Primary School, Secondary School and Adult

Theme: **'Young and Old'**

Closing date: **29th August 2017**

See more details at www.overdaycentre.co.uk or visit our Facebook page: @overdaycentre

1 Drings Close, Over CB24 5NZ
www.overdaycentre.co.uk
Registered Charity No: 800829

— PARISH COUNCIL NOTICE —
USE OF TENNIS COURTS AND ASTRO IN THE SCHOOL SUMMER HOLIDAYS

The Parish Council has arranged that the Tennis Courts and Astro will be open at certain times through the summer holidays for young people up to the age of 15. There will be NO charge during August, but a **responsible adult must always accompany children and be with them at all times during use.** Both will be open from **31st July** until **1st September.**

The **tennis courts** will be available to use: **Tuesdays** and **Fridays** from **9.30am–12.30pm;**

The **Astro** will be available to use: **Tuesdays and Fridays from 2–4pm.**

If there is a demand for use, we may be able to open both areas on **Mondays** as well.

Please note: there is pre-planned work on the Astro throughout the summer and there may be some days that it cannot be used. There will be a sign advising this. We ask you please to respect village facilities, treat the equipment well and leave the areas clean and tidy after use. Thank You.

SING IT OUT
COMMUNITY CHOIR

will restart on **Monday 4th September**
7.30–8.30pm in the **Octagon.**
If you enjoy singing popular songs/musicals then you will be very welcome to join us.
If you need more info please e-mail Mel Stamp at singitout@virginmedia.com.

A BRILLIANT PLACE TO VISIT WITH THE CHILDREN

The team at the **Farmland Museum** and **Denny Abbey** look forward to welcoming you!

This family-friendly museum is located in a rural setting very close to Cambridge off the A10.

We are an independent charitable museum and manage the adjacent Denny Abbey on behalf of English Heritage.

E-mail: managerfarmlandmuseum@yahoo.com;
Telephone: 01223 860988; or look on the website:
www.dennyfarmlandmuseum.org.uk/.

CAMBRIDGE BREAST CANCER NOW CHARITY WALK

Cambridge breast cancer now

15th October 2017

Join us for a 9 mile walk from Milton Country Park to Waterbeach

For further details and registration please contact:
jo@hartmcleod.co.uk or avril.williams1@btinternet.com.
Registered Charity No: 1160558

Deadline for September's edition: 15th August to bhneditor@yahoo.com
or see page 2 for other contacts.

— BAR HILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION —

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The objectives of the association are to act as an intermediary between residents and other parties, to keep residents informed of matters of importance and recreation in and around the village, and to promote the interests of Bar Hill. Opinions expressed in this publication are not necessarily those of the Association. Anonymous letters will not be published, but names and addresses may be withheld. However, these may be made available should a written request be received. This is a private publication and may not be reproduced in any way without the prior permission of the Bar Hill Residents' Association Committee.

ADVERTISING

All matters relating to advertising should be addressed to the Advertising Coordinator bunty.waters@ntlworld.com. Quarter-page adverts cost £16.50 per month and must be submitted by the 1st of the month prior to inclusion. These ads are for local businesses and we guarantee publication, but this often results in a waiting list.
To help overcome this, we publish Maxi and Mini ads which appear throughout the publication. We cannot guarantee their inclusion, though, due to restrictions of space. Maxi ads (6cmx4½cm – 9cmx6cm) are £8.50 per month; Mini ads (6cmx2cm – 6cmx4cm) are £5 per month, and should be submitted by 15th of the month prior to their inclusion.

EDITORIAL

There is no charge for Articles, What's On, For Sale or Lost and Found. These appear at the Editor's discretion. Please submit items by 15th of the month. [Items offered For Sale will be advertised in two consecutive editions, so please let the Editor know if the item(s) sell after the first time.] All items can be submitted electronically on disk or to bhneditor@yahoo.com *[a Word file is best, please]* or hard copy via Parish Council Office.

— THE MAPLE SURGERY —

Tel: **01954 780442**
www.mhmaple.co.uk

Out of Hours Emergencies call **111**
(Cambridgeshire and Peterborough 111 Service)

Surgery Opening times:
Monday to Friday 8.15am – 6.30pm
On the day appointments: bookable by phone at ***8.30am*** for the ***mornings*** and at ***1.30pm*** for ***afternoons***.

Midwife	Thursday	9.30am–12.30pm
Podiatrist	Wed. & Friday	8.45am–12 noon *and* 1.00–4.00pm
Orthoptist	2nd Tues/month	9.00am–12.30pm
Cambs Hearing Help	4th Tues/month	9.30–11.30am
Health Visitors *(based at Longstanton)*:		**01954 207612**
Well Child Clinics:	3rd Tues/month	1.00–2.30pm

at the Children's Centre, Bar Hill *(next to Primary School)*.

— BAR HILL HEALTH WALKS —

Free every Wednesday morning
Meet at Maple Surgery at 10.30am

Our walks are all weather *(in case of rain you will find us under the Church porch)*, free, and accessible to all, particularly those who are currently inactive.
Walks are 45–60 minutes long, and led by trained Volunteer Walk Leaders. Shorter walks may be available; contact Patricia or Josephine to discuss.
We meet locally after the walk for a hot drink and a chat. This is usually in the library, but may sometimes be at Costa, Tesco, or the Fox.
If this is your first walk please arrive 10 minutes early to complete a short health questionnaire. Copies are available on the PPG noticeboard in Maple Surgery, and at www.walkingforhealth.org.uk.
Contact: Josephine Powell T: 07901 558108; E: jopowell45@hotmail.com or Patricia Daniels T: 07917 874402; E: danielsoohn@btinternet.com.

— STORYTIME AT BAR HILL LIBRARY —

This regular activity for pre-readers is having a summer break.
Our sessions of stories, songs and craft, held in the Library on the second and fourth Saturdays each month, will resume on **23rd September**.

HAVING PROBLEMS WITH COMPUTERS OR NEW TECHNOLOGY?

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W: www.learnitwithlaura.co.uk

— NWR —
CONNECTING WOMEN WHO ARE INTERESTED IN EVERYTHING AND TALK ABOUT ANYTHING

NWR is a national women's organisation with members who enjoy lively conversations both serious and light hearted. It is for women of all ages who like to be informed and share ideas by actively participating in the content of meetings. We promote friendship and self-confidence for lively minded women. We invite you to join us. Come along to one of our meetings – you'd be very welcome.

3rd August **meaning of words** – choose three words, give three meanings for each word; can the group guess the correct meaning.

17th August **seaside/coastal towns** – where would you recommend? Special features/attractions, has it changed over the years?

31st August **favourite actresses** – share facts, life, films etc. with the group.

The Bar Hill NWR group meets informally in members' homes on alternate Thursday evenings at 8pm. We pay an annual fee of £20 and just £1 per meeting to cover local costs. If you would like more information or someone to accompany you to a meeting, please don't hesitate to call Marie-The Last on **01954 780329** or Jackie Jackson on **01954 781613**.
NWR can also be found on www.nwr.org.uk.
Why not have a look!

BAR HILL COMMUNITY MARKET

NOT August or September
Saturday 7th October
10.30am–2pm
In the Octagon CB23 8EH
— Entry is Free —

All profits go to community/charity projects.
Refreshments with soup & bread at lunchtime;
BBQ *(weather permitting).*

If you wish to be part of the market please contact Karen Austen **01954 781085**.
e-mail: bar.hill.community.market@gmail.com
Facebook: Bar Hill Community Market

— HEALTH AND WELLBEING CLUB —

Normally held on the second Tuesday of the month between 2–4pm in Tesco Community Room, the group focuses on all aspects of promoting and maintaining good health in every area.
We start with a chair based exercise activity followed by advice from Tesco's departments.
This is a unique and friendly group and is an ideal place to meet new people.
Next meeting: **8th August**.
For further information, contact Wendy Arrowsmith on **01954 781381** or Sue Kenchington on **01954 780260**.

S. DYE For all your Painting & Decorating needs.
Please call **07806 629972** or **01954 230484**

— HAPPY HOURS —

Our Club meets most Mondays in the Octagon building of Bar Hill Church from 11am–3pm, with coffee, tea and light lunches.

Our Summer lunch menu consists of salads *(cheese, salmon or the weekly special which could be ham, corn beef, pork pie or quiche)* or ploughman's lunch – all at £2.30.
Our aim is to provide friendship and companionship so why not come along and give us a try? You can have a good old natter, a game or two, or enjoy various other activities.
We would welcome new members.
The club raised almost £400 with our tombola stall at the village fête. Thanks to everyone who donated items for the stall and to those that took part and supported us.
In the last month the highlights have been a 60s themed party and chocolate tasting.

Coming up
31st July: Marie Curie Bloomin' Great Tea Party;
7th August: The Story of the Carpenters;
14th August: Art and Drawing;
21st August: Bingo and Quiz;
28th August: **No Club – Bank Holiday.**
***Anne Plumb*, 01954 780364**

— 8 O'CLOCK CLUB —

We are a women's group that meets on the first Thursday of the month in the lounge at the school at 8pm. The cost is £10 for the year plus 50p each month to cover the raffle and coffee.
We have a variety of speakers as well as an annual garden party, birthday party and Christmas meal. Our meetings for the new school year are as follows:–

7 September enrolment evening – informal evening with a glass of wine and a chat.
5 October Tax, Care and Toy Boys.
2 November Robert Barber will talk about his work running the costume department at the Arts Theatre.
7 December Christmas meal, members only.

If you'd like further information please phone Barbara on **01954 204171**, Adela on **01954 204265**, Ann on **01954 204687**, or come along to one of our meetings. We'd be very pleased to meet you.

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making every moment count

Retired or soon to retire?
Attend our free event to help you take control of your future and relax into retirement on
Wednesday 20th September
at **Girton College**, Cambridge CB3 0JG
from **1.15–4.30pm**.
Find out more and book your place at arhc.org.uk/lookahead; **01223 675888**,
or find us on Facebook.

— BAR HILL BOOK CLUB —

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday 29th August at 7pm** in the **Fox, Bar Hill.**
Please join our friendly group, we offer a lovely welcome, good company, and great book choices.
Contact: sheilafarrar@hotmail.co.uk; T: 07920 558319

— LETTERS —

Dear Editor

The Village Green: it is with great disappointment that I saw the beer bottles and broken bottles strewn around the new ramp and the other activity areas this Saturday morning (15th July), the Parish Council has provided these facilities for teens, which after Inspection on Monday (17th) will have the barrier rails removed and free for them to use. Who clears their mess? Parish Councillors

Bunty Waters

Dear Editor

I would like to say a big thank you to everyone who made the Flower, Art & Craft Festival such a success.

The organisation who came up with such an innovative ideas and the painting and crafts section, it just shows what talented people we have in the village.

Last but not least to the team of people behind the scenes, setting it all up and staffing it.

Thank you all!

Ann Duce

Dear Editor

Hedgehogs

These lovely nocturnal animals may need your help.

If you find a hedgehog out during the daytime it is likely to be injured or a juvenile needing help. Try and pop it in a box or tall container (they climb) and contact Shepreth Hedgehog Hospital for advice. Tel: 07505 651968 or 07771 457693.

I have nightly hedgehog visitors to my garden and would love to know who else has them in Bar Hill? Do let me know.

Heather Sales, 92 Pheasant Rise

Dear Editor

On 21st June a team of golfers from across the county attempted The Macmillan Cancer 72-hole golf challenge at Cambridge Hallmark Hotel, Bar Hill. With assistance from the Course Operations Manager, Edward Sandford, the team started their first round at 5am and completed their final round at 9pm, with temperatures hitting 30°C at times.

The team consisted of Tony Garner (captain), Bruce Harwood, Liam Wood and Dan Marshall.

This was the 4th year a team had been entered to complete the challenge.

The team would like to thank Edward and Paul Faulkner, Deputy General Manager.

You can still sponsor us by visiting www.justgiving.com/tony'spage.

Many thanks, *Tony Garner*

Dear Charities

Upon researching Microsoft office subscriptions for the coming year I found that Microsoft provides various free products for charities on the following website: http://tinyurl.com/yav2vtvp .

In addition students with an academic email of any age and schools/universities/colleges can also get free Microsoft Office at: http://tinyurl.com/y7nlbrnf .

I thought this might be of help to the local community.

Anthony Mitchell, Pheasant Rise

DO YOU ENJOY READING YOUR BAR HILL NEWS?

Would you like to help with its production?

Our village magazine is printed and delivered every month except January, and we like to think it provides a useful service to Bar Hill. It's produced entirely by volunteers and we are most grateful to all who help in any way. However, from time to time we need more people to help, as some of our regular team become unable to continue for one reason or another.

Now is one of those times! We currently need people to help with collating and delivery and are looking ahead to a new person taking over the co-ordination of the distribution of the printed copies.

Collating – 100 copies of the magazine takes about an hour, using an electric stapler which we provide. The copies will be delivered to you and we usually ask you to pass them on to someone else in the village for delivery, although we can arrange to collect them if necessary. We are short of three regular collators and we would also like to hear from people who are willing to be on the reserve list to cover occasional absences.

Delivery – is usually to between 40 and 70 houses. This typically takes less than an hour. We currently need a deliverer in Watermead. Again, we would also like to hear from people who are willing to be on the reserve list.

Co-ordinating – the distribution is a task which takes a few hours spread over about a week around the end of each month. It includes quite a bit of lifting, carrying and driving (within Bar Hill). We would like to hear from someone willing to take on this essential task whether they are available now or could take over later in the year.

Thank you very much – I look forward to hearing from you.

Martin Avery, E: m.j.avery@ntlworld.com;
T: 01954 781233.

FOR SALE

Brand New Ladies Electric Bike • non-puncture tyres • throttle twist grip and gears. With charger.
Too large for buyer, consequently never used. £900
Call 07734 690580

INDOOR CARPET BOWLS

Did you know that there has been an indoor carpet bowls club in the village for over 30 years?

We meet on Friday nights in the school from 7.30–10.00pm with a ½-hour break for coffee – all for £1.50 each evening you play.

It is a chance to have a game with a friendly group.

We don't play in any leagues so even if you have never played before, don't be put off.

The new season starts on **Friday 8th September**, so why not come along and join us any Friday evening with your first session being free. We look forward to welcoming you.

If you require more details please contact Barbara on 01954 204171.

— WANTED —

A reliable and caring person to walk a small, elderly dog occasionally. Times negotiable
Please phone 01954 789243 evenings & weekends

— BAR HILL PARISH COUNCIL —

Sue Bell, Parish Clerk: **01954 780456**
e-mail: bhillpc-1@btconnect.com.
Please note that the office is open to residents between **9am–11am Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.**
Visit our website: www.barhill.org.uk for updates.

The Council has asked the **retail developer** who approached the Council to buy **land at Saxon Way** to attend a public meeting scheduled for **7th September 2017** in the **Octagon.**

Works to stabilise **Dam Brook/Hollytrees Stream** should start soon. The survey work has begun.

The new **facilities** on the **recreation ground** for 10-15 year olds will be open for the school holidays. Our youngsters are very excited about the new equipment and we are hoping for glorious weather in July, August and September! We are currently making arrangements to facilitate the opening of the tennis courts and all-weather pitch for youngsters, accompanied by a responsible adult, to use during the school holidays and hope to get some sessions starting in September for the Connections Bus to be in the village one evening a week.

Anyone with concerns regarding **inconsiderate parking** – please report to Cambridgeshire Constabulary on http://tinyurl.com/SouthCambs-Parking. They are gathering information to identify hotspots!

The next **Parish Council meeting** will be held on 21st September 2017 at 7pm in the Parish Council Office. Minutes are posted up in the Parish Council window. Items for the agenda must be placed with the Clerk at least 7 days before the meeting.

Visit the **village website:** www.barhill.org.uk for up-dates on local matters including progress of the A14

Useful Contacts:

South Cambs District Council *(environmental services, refuse/recycling, fly tipping, dog fouling, street cleaning [except parish council lands], council tax, planning, building control, licensing, benefits, housing, transport, senior bus pass/ railcards):* www.scambs.gov.uk/form-type/report-it; **0345 0450 500.**

Anglian Water. *(water supply and sewerage)*: **03457 145145.**

Cambridgeshire County Council: General: **0345 045 5200;** *(street lighting* **0800 7838247** *[give number of lamp post],* highways report a fault: https://highwaysreporting.cambidgeshire.gov.uk *(trunk roads* Highways England: **0300 123 5000)** *(anything a danger to the public report to Police on* **101***), transport, schools, social services (adults/children and families), libraries leisure and culture, Registrar Births Deaths and Marriages, recycling centres, RingGo Phone parking payments* **01223 853066**, *Blue Badge, Bus timetables* https://cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/travel-roads-and-parking/buses/bus-timetables.

***Abandoned Tesco trolleys*: 0800 316 1241.**

COUNSELLING IN BAR HILL

Depression, Anxiety, Stress, Bereavement, Addiction, Couples etc.
Experienced counsellor practising at The Maple Surgery. Immediate appointments available. Telephone Mark on **07905 833288**, E: info@thecambridgecounsellor.co.uk or visit www.thecambridgecounsellor.co.uk

— NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH —

A big thank you to all who visited our stand at the Village Fête. We hope you took away some useful advice.

Our competition this year gave you the total number of crimes reported in the residential area of Bar Hill in 2016 (**154**), broken down by number: **54, 36, 16, 16, 16, 9, 7.** We also gave you the crime categories and asked you to match them up and guess which was the busiest month. Well done to **Lynda** for a nearly perfect answer and to **Lois,** a close second.

The correct answers are: • Anti-Social Behaviour: **54** • Burglary: **16** • Damage: **7** • Other Theft *(without breaking in e.g. bikes, garden ornaments)*: **9** • Public Disorder *(e.g. fighting, threatening and abusive behaviour in a public place)*: **16** • Vehicle Crime *(theft of and from vehicles)*: **16** • Violence *(assault, including domestic and sexual)*: **36** •

The busiest month was **December.**

While violence seems comparatively high Bar Hill is **not** a violent place. Many offences occurred inside homes and were no doubt linked to alcohol and domestic strife, particularly in December (10 incidents).

So what do the figures say about crime in Bar Hill last year?

Bar Hill is well below the national, county and district averages for crime: **National** average of crimes per 1000 people: **61; Cambridgeshire** average: **56; Bar Hill** average: **44.** However, if you remove crimes related to the superstore, that figure falls to just **25** per 1000 people, which is below the village average for South Cambs.

Understandably those who have been a victim of crime are unlikely to agree it is a safe village because every crime is distressing. So we must remain vigilant, not become complacent and all play our part in keeping our community safe.

– Be wise,
– Stay alert,
– Report incidents and suspicions.

Pam Vendy, Village Co-ordinator

— COMPUTER BUDDYING —

from **2–4pm** on **Tuesdays** at **Bar Hill Library.**
Free help with computers and basic IT skills aimed at beginners over 50yrs. Booking required.

BAR HILL BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

Wednesdays and **Friday** (term time)
9.45–11.15am in the **Octagon.**

Ordinary session price includes children's snacks, drink, craft, play and adult tea/coffee. Under 1: £1.50; Over 1: £2.50; Family: £3.50.

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION, — BAR HILL BRANCH —

The Royal British Legion Bar Hill meets at 7.30pm on the 4th Thursday of each month in the meeting room of the Octagon.

We are a small friendly group of like-minded people. You don't need to have an Armed Forces background to join, just share a common cause of supporting our Service Community, now and for the rest of their lives.

We would like to thank all who helped with our stall at the Fête, and those who brought raffle tickets. We raised **£116.** Winner of the hamper was Kath Circuit.

— Bar Hill Church —

Bar Hill Church belongs to several denominations, including the Church of England, the United Reformed Church, the Methodist Church, the Baptist Union and the Society of Friends. The Minister is **Charles Mather**, who may be contacted on charlesmather20@yahoo.com or tel: **01954 277119**. The church website is at www.barhillchurch.org.uk; the Facebook page is at https://facebook.com/barhillchurch and our Twitter account is @BarHillChurch.

SERVICES FOR AUGUST

Everyone is welcome to attend our services as follows:

Sunday 6th	**10.00am** Holy Communion (Anglican)
Sunday 13th	**10.00am** All-Together Worship
Sunday 20th	**10.00am** Holy Communion (Reformed)
Sunday 27th	**10.00am** Morning Worship

(During August there will be no Re:boot, Messy Church, Tea-Time Worship nor Mid-Week Communion)

10am services are followed by tea/coffee, and there is a Traidcraft stall selling a range of fairly traded products.

OLIVE TREE COFFEE MORNINGS

This is an oasis, a calm welcoming space and may be of help to those who have been challenged and broken by loss, loneliness, by bereavement or those finding life challenging.

Come for conversation or just enjoy the peace and quiet in a safe space. Refreshments will be available and also people who have been trained to listen.

The next Olive Tree Coffee mornings will be **Saturday 19th August and 17th September at 10.30am** in the Octagon.

PRAYER FOR STREETS

Each month we pray for people in our streets. During **August** we will be praying for **The Brambles** and **Stonefield**. If residents have a particular prayer request for themselves or their family they are welcome to e-mail Elsa on elsa.mandley@barhillchrch.org.uk

Traidcraft Come and buy Fair Trade items from our stall after Sunday morning Service.

— GROUPS FOR ADULTS —

COFFEE STOP

Wednesdays from 10am–midday in the Bar Hill Library.

Coffee, tea and biscuits are served at a modest price.
A friendly meeting for all to chat with friends old and new.
Contact **Sue Kenchington** on **01954 780260**.

KNIT & NATTER

Thursday afternoons from **1.15–3.30pm** in the Octagon.

Everyone is very welcome, whether to knit, or just to chat and meet new friends.
Contact **Sue Kenchington** on **01954 780260**.

— GROUPS FOR ADULTS —

ART GROUP

Whether you are a complete beginner or an experienced painter, this group will give you a warm welcome on Wednesday afternoons throughout the year from **1.30–4.00pm** in the Church.

Meetings are very informal, with occasional visits from tutors. If you are new to painting, materials are available to borrow to help you get started.
Contact **Jan Hewins** on **01954 201495**.

MUSIC GROUP

This group meets at 7.30pm most Friday evenings in the Church to practise the music for Sunday services. If you sing or play an instrument, you would be very welcome to join us. For further details, please contact Bob Chappell on bob.chappell@barhillchurch.org.uk.

HOMEGROUPS

We are having a break during August and will resume with a new theme in September.

If you would like an opportunity to meet other Christians for Bible Study and Prayer then our homegroups provide an informal but supportive environment.

To join a group or for more information contact Elizabeth Burns: Elizabeth.burns@barhillchurch.org.uk.

BRING YOUR OWN CRAFT GROUP

The craft group is open to anyone who enjoys or would like to start knitting, crochet, card-making or any other creative crafts. We meet in the Octagon from 2.15–4.45pm one Saturday each month for a couple of hours chatting, crafting and enjoying a chance to unwind. Please bring your own craft activity and materials – refreshments are provided.
Contact **Wendy** on **01954 782041** for more details.

—CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE —

Activities for Children and Young People are taking a break for the Summer Holidays and will return in September.

— COMBERTON RAMBLERS CLUB —

We walk on alternate Sundays, starting at 10.15am. Walks are from 4–7 miles, usually ending near a public house. We are a friendly, informative group that enjoys exploring the varied countryside in this area. New walkers are welcome to join us with up to two free walks, then we request you become a member.

For further details on how to join our sociable rambling group please contact Stella: E: stella.ramblers@hotmail.com; T: **01954 210049**; or go to the website: www.combertonramblers.org.uk.

Did you know the word 'News' originated from the first letters of north, east, south and west, because information was being gathered from all directions?

— Catholic Church —

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND THE ENGLISH MARTYRS

The Catholic Church serving Bar Hill
Hills Road, Cambridge

Parish Priest: **Rt. Rev. Mgr Eugene Canon Harkness** Tel: 01223 350787
Local contact: **Bunty Waters** Tel: 01954 201421
Mon., Weds., Thurs., Friday 8am & 12.15pm
Tuesday 8am & 7.30pm
Saturday 6pm: First Mass of Sundays
Masses in the Parish Church in Cambridge; also 5pm at Cambourne and **6pm at The Octagon, Bar Hill.**
Holydays of Obligation 8am, 10am, 7.30pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Tuesday 6.45pm (not after Mass)
Saturday 10.30–11.15am, 4.30–5.15pm, 7.00–7.45pm

Details of other services are published in a weekly newsletter available at the 6pm Mass each Saturday. Copies are also available in the Church Centre.

Home Visits
I am happy to bring communion to house bound Catholics. I also visit people at the end of their lives, of any religion or none, who would welcome support or are distressed spiritually.
Contact Jean: 07841 397338, Catholic Eucharistic Minister. Associate Member of the Hospice Chaplaincy Team.

— GIRLGUIDING IN BAR HILL —

Assistant Leader needed for Brownies

Being a *Leader* or *Assistant Leader* is one of our most rewarding roles. You get to work directly with girls, supporting and helping them to grow into confident young women.
If you would like to join in the fun, please email Sarah at gg.barhill@icloud.com.
Rainbows (5-7yrs); Brownies (7-10yrs); Guides (10-14yrs) all meet weekly; Senior Section (15-25yrs) meets monthly. Packed with age appropriate activities for girls to participate in and try out!
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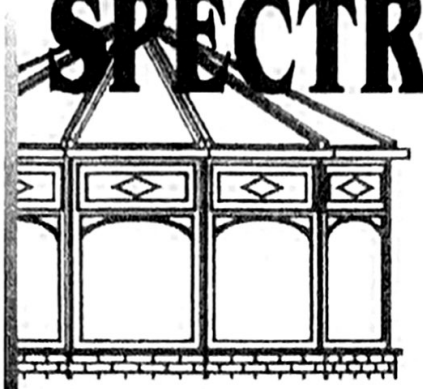

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— SCAMS OF THE MONTH —

Please note these current warnings:

One: With the recent **warm weather**, some homes have been left insecure and vulnerable to opportunist thieves.

- ✓ Lock all windows and doors even if you only go out briefly.
- ✓ Set your alarm if you have one.

Better to come home to a very warm house than a burgled one.

Two: **High powered vehicles** *(e.g. BMW, Audi, Mercedes)* are being targeted. Improved security makes them more difficult to steal without the keys so thieves are breaking into owner's houses.

Residents are asked to report any unusual people or vehicles paying attention to houses with a desirable car and report it to the police on **101**, or **999** in an emergency.

- ✓ Without taking risks, try to obtain a description of people and vehicle registration numbers to aid police investigations.

Owners are advised to take extra precautions:

- ✓ Never leave keys near your letterbox where a thief could fish them out.
- ✓ Always lock windows and doors.
- ✓ Fit a steering wheel lock or other extra device.
- ✓ Park in a garage if possible.
- ✓ Consider a driveway alarm to give early warning of someone on your drive.
- ✓ A tracking device could help trace your car.

Three: **Suspicious door step callers** are being reported, offering various goods and services. Sometimes they are looking for vulnerable residents, valuables or insecure homes to return to later.

- ✓ If you are aware of suspicious or bogus callers in the area, please ring **101**. The police recommend you do not buy goods or services at the door, especially building or gardening work.
- ✓ Get quotes from reputable traders and make a decision at your leisure. Never agree to work being carried out because it seems like a good deal. Any transaction over £42 should come with cancellation rights of 14 days. If the trader fails to offer this, they are committing an offence.
- ✓ To find a reputable trader checked by Trading Standards see www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk or T: **08454 040506**.

Four: There has been an increase in **online trading fraud** of pets and vehicles. Once a sale is agreed the fraudster requests advance payment. However the items do not materialise because they do not exist.

- ✓ Research the seller and any third parties involved as couriers, money transfer sites etc.
- ✓ Ideally arrange to meet and view items first.
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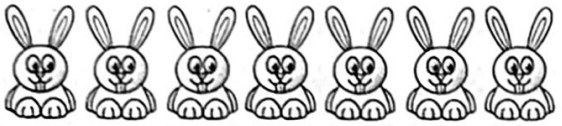

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— BAR HILL CRICKET CLUB —

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Against Sutton, Adam Dean hit 91 and had a good opening partnership with Andy Buller, who scored 55. Bar Hill eventually totalled 261 and then restricted Sutton to 171 for 6.

Paul Stimpson's 58 was the top score against St Ives as Bar Hill totalled 209 for 6. A depleted St Ives side were then bowled out for 23, Phil Orvis taking three wickets without conceding a run, to add to his innings of 39 not out.

The fourth win was a walkover against Over and Bar Hill now have six matches left to maintain a promotion push.

In the midweek league, Sam Clare smashed an incredible 126 not out as Bluntisham were beaten by six wickets. The visitors scored 169 for 5 but Sam's innings ensured Bar Hill reached 172 for 4.

There was also a good win against Invoke. Sam again made the top score with 36 in Bar Hill's total of 113 for 7 and Invoke were then bowled out for 71, Sam adding three wickets to his runs.

Last but not least, the Fred Styles Memorial Match saw the Social Club win a narrow victory over the cricket club.

Nathan Dean hit 43 not out and Paul Stimpson 33 in the cricket club's 149, but Matt Childs made 38 not out as the social club passed that total with two wickets left.

Our youth training sessions continue on the village green **every Wednesday from 6pm.**

Finally, thanks to all those who bought food from our barbecue on fête day.

For the latest news and all other information about the club, or if you are interested in joining or volunteering for the club, visit www.barhillcricket.org.uk or call the number below.

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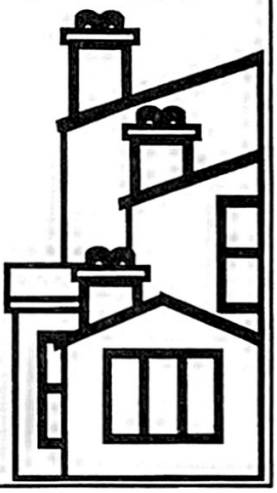

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— COUNCILLOR NOTES —

Council continues to be top performer

Finance bosses have thanked revenues staff, residents and businesses for achieving another top table position in the **council tax collection league**. The latest government statistics show that South Cambridgeshire has come joint third, collecting 99.4% of all council tax, maintaining last year's performance.

Northstowe

In May 2017 there was a celebration event as the first residents were welcomed into Northstowe. The first houses were occupied in April and more buyers are due to move in over the coming months. Bloor Homes is building the first 92 homes, which will be a range of two, three, four and five bedroom houses. Two 4-bedroom show homes opened to the public on 13th May. Northstowe will eventually encompass up to 10,000 new homes and will have a full range of early year, primary, secondary and special educational needs facilities.

Cambridge North Rail Station

The station opened on 21st May 2017. It is located in the Cambridge suburb of Chesterton, close to Cambridge Science Park. It connects to the Cambridgeshire Guided Busway and provides an interchange with Park & Ride and local bus services. There are three platforms: Platform 1 serves southbound fast services to Cambridge and London King's Cross; Platform 2 serves northbound services to Ely and Norwich; Platform 3 serves semi-fast services to London Liverpool Street via Cambridge and Bishop's Stortford, and stopping services to London King's Cross via Cambridge and Stevenage.

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Appointments, on weekday mornings from 9.30am, must be made in advance – call **0345 045 5215**.

Do you need Planning Permission? You can make certain minor changes to your house without needing to apply for planning permission. These are called 'permitted development'. The Planning Portal website contains advice on this: www.planningportal.co.uk/.

If you need further information, advice, or we can help in any way, please contact us: **Bunty Waters:** T: **01954 201421**; **07734 690580**; E: bunty.waters@ntlworld.com; **Roger Hall**: T: **01954 780304**; E: roger.hall90@ntlworld.com.

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We need your help to wipe out a **big problem**. There has recently been a pollution to a water course within the Bar Hill area. A letter drop was carried out. The cause was a build-up of FOG (fats, oil, greases) and Rags (baby wipes, sanitary products etc.) which caused sewage to spill out and externally flood.

Here are **some quick reminders** of what to do to help look after your **sink** and **loo**. Remember:

NO surface, make-up, cleaning or baby wipes;
NO sanitary products, sanitary towels, tampons, applicators, or incontinence pads;
NO food scraps;
NO cotton buds;
NO fats, oils or grease;
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NO condoms or femidoms;
NO razor blades;
NO syringes or needles;
NO bandages or plasters;
NO plastic bags or wrappers.

Even some wipes labelled flushable or biodegradable don't break up enough to make it through the wastewater treatment process.

Wipes, sanitary waste and fats, oils and grease all build up over time and cause blocked pumps and pipes stopping water flowing freely. When a pump gets clogged, sewage can back up into homes and overflow into rivers, and repairing or replacing pumps can add considerable expense on your water bill.

Please dispose of wipes and unflushable items in the bin – **do not** flush down the loo.

Help protect our rivers, wildlife and the environment. Keep waste out of the drains to prevent blockages, sewer flooding and nasty smells in your property.

Learn more at keep-it-clean.co.uk.

— FAMILY HISTORY SESSIONS — BAR HILL LIBRARY

Caroline Norton from the Cambridgeshire Family History Society will be running drop-in sessions at the library as follows for the rest of the year:

Monday 18th September, 10am–4pm
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Our inside area provides views across the village green in a inviting and welcoming atmosphere. Children can access toys and equipment independently. Skills are developed through activities and routines eg children help to prepare snack with safety knives and learn about how to stay healthy. Lunch clubs are a social time and adults sit at tables with children while they eat own packed lunch, encouraging friendships and social skills.

The extended outdoor learning environment provides opportunities from growing fruit and vegetables for our snack bar to exploring the mud kitchen, large sand pit and our sensory garden.

We welcome visitors from the local community that support our curriculum further.

Interested? You can find out more information on our website www.barhillpreschool.co.uk or call us on **01954 782892** to book an informal visit or for an application form.

— COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT —

This month the Greater Cambridge Partnership [GCP] announced a refreshed vision for how they will accelerate the building of thousands of new homes and jobs and create a fit-for-the-future transport network. Their strap line 'Growing & Sharing Prosperity' reflects a strong collaboration and partnership approach. The GCP's 'smart' work stream is a forward looking area trying to investigate and then harness modern and even not-yet-invented technology. The objective is to 'help users get around the real world' and 'help passengers avoid waiting for buses that are never coming'. Regrettably it's happening at a time when the County Council has been advised of further bus de-registrations from 3rd September which include routes that will impact our villages [1A, 2 and 8]. I am following up with County Council Officers their statement that they are considering options for providing alternative services.

Each year Cambridgeshire Library Service runs a Summer Reading Challenge during the summer holidays. Last year over 5,000 Cambridgeshire children took part. This year's challenge is called 'Animal Agents' and is supported by award-winning illustrator, Tony Ross. Children can sign up at their local library; entry is free and there are rewards to collect along the way. 'Animal Agents' will provide a fun element to encourage children to keep up their reading skills over the holidays. All children who take part will be given a collector's folder and, if they complete the Challenge, they will be rewarded with a medal and certificate. Please note that families who are going away for most of the summer holidays can still take part – children can either catch up when they get back or collect a 'holiday pack' to take away with them.

The lovely weather made for a great Bar Hill Fête this year. Thanks to the Fête Committee, the Parish Council and all those who participated to make it a success. I hope the good weather will continue through the summer holidays.

Please do contact me with any comments or questions. If you would like to receive a copy of the full report I write each month, please e-mail me and I will add you to its circulation.

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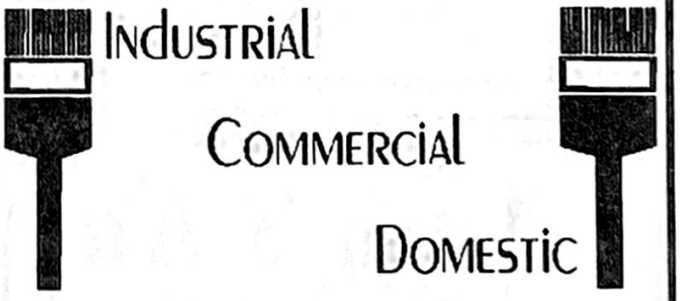

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The fire service's **#RememberRony** campaign aims to educate young people about the risks associated with open water. It is backed by the family of Huntingdon schoolboy Rony John, who sadly died in 2014 while playing with friends in the Great River Ouse.

It is important for parents and young people to be aware of the risks of open water, such as being deeper than anticipated, hazards below the surface to get trapped on. Even though the sun may be shining, the water could still be very cold causing the body to cramp up and pose a risk to getting out the water safely.

If you see someone in trouble in the water call 999 immediately with clear details of your location. If possible, send someone to the nearest road to flag down the emergency services. Find the nearest life ring or anything that could help keep them afloat. If someone goes under the water, mark the place they were last seen with a piece of clothing at the water's edge.

For more information about water safety, visit www.cambsfire.gov.uk or to pledge that you will stay safe around open water this summer, use the hashtag #RememberRony on social media. You can also call us on 01480 444500.

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We start our celebration of the 50th anniversary with the fantastic news received in July that we have been successful in our bid for £10K to create the Dawn Miller Memorial Play Area in memory of our cherished colleague and member of the Bar Hill community who died unexpectedly last year. We now have a total pot of money for this project that amounts to £13K which should create the play area that Dawn designed for the school last academic year. In the Autumn we aim to complete the construction and would welcome any further donations to make the space even better along with visits from members of the community once the project is complete.

We wish all members of the community a wonderful summer holiday and look forward to the children returning in September. If there are any members of the public who would like to join the school as a volunteer in September, don't hesitate to call by and chat with or ring Mrs Milroy in the front office or feel free to drop her an e-mail on: office@barhill.cambs.sch.uk.

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SPECIAL NOTICE:

We have been working with the Parish Council and are pleased to announce that the Courts will be opened for specific periods for the use of under 15s during the Summer Holidays. For full details please see the Parish Council announcement on page 1.

— FRIENDS OF THE ROSIE —

We would like to wish all our customers a Happy Summer.

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New members are always welcome, whether to contribute financially, join our team of knitters, organise the three large stalls per year at Addenbrooke's Outpatients, provide transport for our volunteers, display a small selection of our wares, or to help on the Rosie tea bar. Contact Mary Sanders on 01223 356615 for further details, or go to our website: www.rosieinstitches.org.uk. For up-to-the minute information follow Rosie in Stitches Facebook page. Thank you for your continued support.

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— BAR HILL COLTS —

On Saturday 17th June Bar Hill Colts held their annual presentation day on the school green. We were blessed with superb weather and a great time was had by all. It was lovely to see all the children having such a wonderful time - I think some of the parents and family had a good time as well judging by the empty beer bottles at the end. All of the children received recognition for their efforts over the season, but this was a presentation day and the various team awards are as follows:–

Under 7s

Players player – **Jay Fulcher**; Parents player – **Joseph Wilson**; Most improved player – **Ethan Barrett**;

Under 9s (blue)

Players player – **Max Tyrer**; Managers player – **Theo Goddard**; Parents player – **Max Egan**

Under 9s (white)

Players player – **James Wright**; Parents player **David Starling**; Managers player – **Abi Tod**; Most improved player – **Jack Searle**; Clubman – **Dylan Furber**

Under 11s

Players player – **George Williams** and **Joe Cundy**; Managers player – **Juno Jiang**; Parents player – **Max Hilsden**; Most improved player – **Bradley Lyne**; Clubman – **Tommy Lethorn**

Under 12s

Players player – **Lucas Castillo-Winter**; Parents player – **Christian Simmonett**; Managers player – **Lucas Castillo-Winter**; Most improved player – **Alfie Pope** and **Lauren Grattidge**

Under 13s

Player of the year – **Nilanshu Mukherjee** and **Charlie Rogers**; Parents player – **Wayne Markillie**; Players player – **Ben Dobinson**; Most improved – **James Thomas**

Under 14s

Players player – **Joe Playle**; Managers player – **Joe Playle**; Parents player – **Joe Playle**; Clubman – **Freya Goddard**

Under 14s girls

Players player – **Freya Goddard**; Parents player – **Freya Goddard** and **Georgia Wilson**; Managers player – **Issy Bryant**; Top scorer – **Issy Bryant**; Clubman – **Esther Mctrusty**; Most improved player – **Rihanna** *(she can sing as well)*

Under 16s

Players player – **Dan Cundy**; Managers player – **George Cawte**; Parents player – **Luke Shanahan**

Also for the *under 16s*, who have now finished their last season, four players were recognised as they had been with the team from the start (10 years ago). They are :–

Luke Shanahan; James Debono; Liam Rabel; Harry Sargent

In addition to the above, the following awards were made :–

Club Person of the year – **Janet Shanahan**; Team of the year – **Under 12s (Rockets)**; Manager of the year – **Joe Egan**; Young Club Person of the year – **Luke Shanahan** and **Christian Marin**

The day ended with a match between the managers / coaches and the under 16 team. The match ended in a 3-3 draw – although some of the decisions against the managers team were dubious to say the least.

Finally, a big thanks to all members of the Colts committee (in particular Joe Egan who oversaw the events superbly) for their efforts on the day and their continued commitment to the club as a whole – without them it wouldn't exist.

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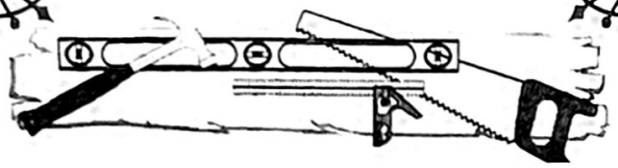

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